

Labour Force Statistics ♦ March 2009

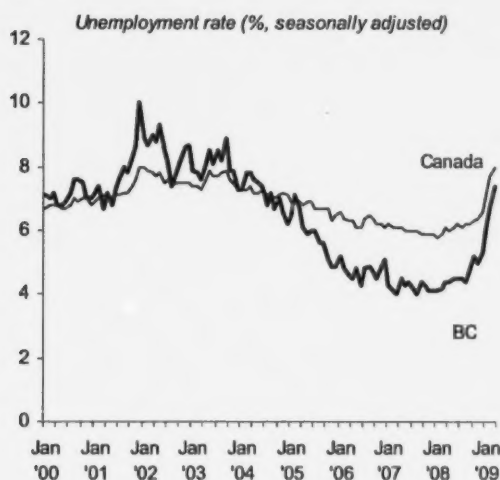
(All labour force statistics are seasonally adjusted, unless otherwise indicated)

Unemployment rate reaches 7.4%

British Columbia's jobless rate reached 7.4% in March, the highest registered in nearly five years (June 2004). The most recent increase in the unemployment rate was largely the result of a loss of 22,600 jobs in March, the seventh consecutive month of job losses in BC. The March unemployment rate stands in stark contrast to the previous year's figures where BC's was considered to be near full employment levels with an unemployment rate hovering near 4%.

When compared to the rest of Canada, the province's jobless rate remains below the national average. However, the gap between the national and the BC unemployment rates has steadily narrowed since late 2007.

The gap between Canada's and BC's unemployment rates has been shrinking of late



BC Stats

Employment continues to tumble in goods sector; inches lower in service sector

The current economic downturn has not been kind to the province's goods-producing sector (-4.6%). Since January, more than 55,000, or roughly one in nine, of those working in the sector have lost their jobs. In March alone, 21,300 jobs in goods-producing industries were eliminated as construction (-7.9%), manufacturing (-3.9%) and forestry, fishing & mining (-2.6%) all reduced the size of their workforces.

Goods sector employment has declined sharply since the start of '09



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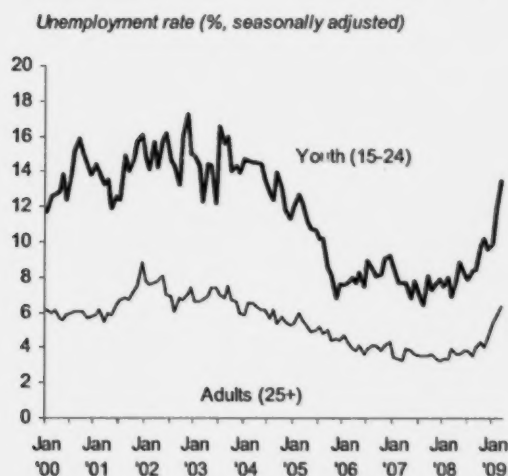
While the magnitude of the job losses during the previous month was not repeated, employment in the service sector continued to slip in March (-0.1%). The largest drops in service sector employment were experienced in the finance, real estate & insurance (-5.7%) and information, culture & recreation (-4.5%) industries.

Employment in the retail and wholesale trade industries slipped for a third straight month (-0.8%) while the transportation (+3.1%) and accommodation & food service (+4.5%) industries saw a boost.

Youth unemployment on the rise

Youth unemployment in BC had been rising sharply since the start of the global economic downturn, increasing from a recent low of 6.9% in March 2008 to the present rate of 13.5%, the highest it has been in nearly five years. Not surprising when one considers the recent employment drops seen in construction, manufacturing and trade, industries that employ a significant portion (approximately 45%) of BC's youth.

Joblessness among British Columbia's youth has been rising quickly



BC Stats

Regional employment continues to wane

Northeast continued to have the lowest jobless rate in the province at 6.5% (3-month moving average, unadjusted) despite rising 1.9 percentage points. Vancouver Island/Coast's labour force remained virtually unchanged. However, employment in the region stumbled (-1.0%), leaving unemployment at 6.8%. In Mainland/Southwest, the number of people looking for work expanded (+0.3%) while the number of available jobs shrank (-0.5%) pushing joblessness to 6.6%.

Cariboo saw its largest recorded monthly decreases in employment (-4.4%) while North Coast/Nechako posted its seventh consecutive monthly drop in employment (-2.5%). Kootenay's unemployment inched up to 8.9% and in Thompson/Okanagan the jobless rate increased to 9.1%.

Joblessness continued to rise in the province's largest urban centres with both Vancouver (6.3%; 3-month moving average, unadjusted) and Victoria (5.5%) registering higher unemployment rates.

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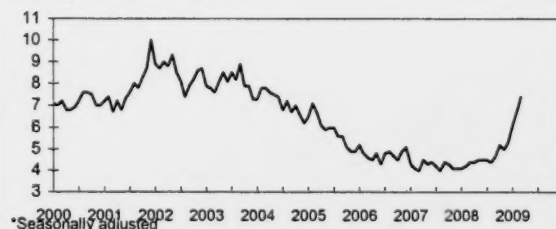
Nationally, unemployment rose to 8.0%, its highest point in seven years. Employment fell in most provinces, ranging from a slight dip in Quebec (-0.1%) to a much sharper drop in British Columbia (-1.0%). Only Newfoundland & Labrador (+0.9%) and Prince Edward Island (+0.1%) saw employment increase in March.

Selected Statistics	Mar-09	Feb-09	Mar-08
BC Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	6.7	4.4
Canadian Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	7.7	6.1
BC Employment ('000)	2,240	2,263	2,317
BC Labour Force Participation Rate (%)	65.7	65.8	67
Mar % change in employment relative to:	-	-1.0	-3.3
Mar % change in labour force relative to:	-	-0.2	-0.1

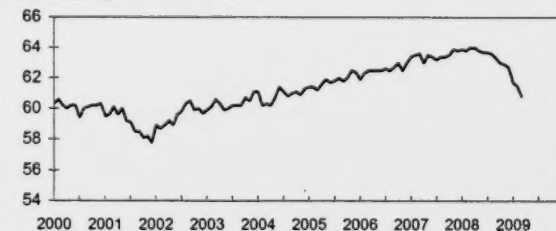
1 Summary for March 2009--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current March 2009		Previous Month February 2009		One Year Ago March 2008		Change from February 2009		Change from March 2008	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3,685.8		3,681.8		3,619.9		0.1%		1.8%	
Labour Force ('000)	2,407.3	2,420.2	2,399.9	2,424.4	2,407.4	2,423.6	0.3%	-0.2%	0.0%	-0.1%
Employment ('000)	2,221.9	2,240.1	2,226.9	2,262.7	2,305.3	2,316.7	-0.2%	-1.0%	-3.6%	-3.3%
Unemployment ('000)	185.5	180.1	173.0	161.7	102.1	106.8	7.2%	11.4%	81.7%	68.6%
Employment Rate ¹	60.3%	60.8%	60.5%	61.5%	63.7%	64.0%				
Unemployment Rate	7.7%	7.4%	7.2%	6.7%	4.2%	4.4%				
Participation Rate	65.3%	65.7%	65.2%	65.8%	66.5%	67.0%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	27,187.6		27,161.2		26,803.4		0.1%		1.4%	
Labour Force ('000)	18,138.9	18,294.7	18,081.4	18,315.2	18,000.4	18,204.6	0.3%	-0.1%	0.8%	0.5%
Employment ('000)	16,538.8	16,838.1	16,578.2	16,899.4	16,845.2	17,102.1	-0.2%	-0.4%	-1.8%	-1.5%
Unemployment ('000)	1,600.1	1,456.6	1,503.2	1,415.9	1,155.2	1,102.5	6.4%	2.9%	38.5%	32.1%
Employment Rate ¹	60.8%	61.9%	61.0%	62.2%	62.8%	63.8%				
Unemployment Rate	8.8%	8.0%	8.3%	7.7%	6.4%	6.1%				
Participation Rate	66.7%	67.3%	66.6%	67.4%	67.2%	67.9%				

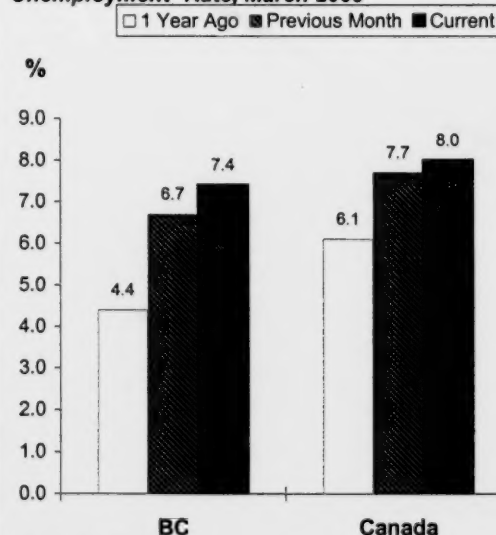
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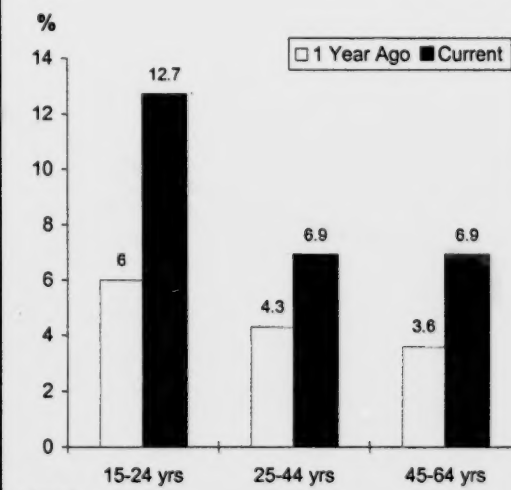
BC Employment¹ Rate*:



Unemployment* Rate, March 2009

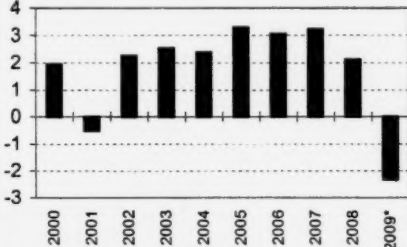
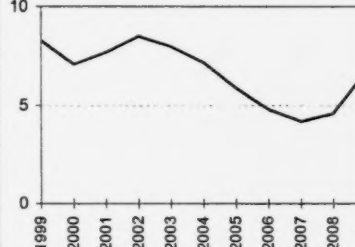


BC Unemployment* Rates by Age, March 2009

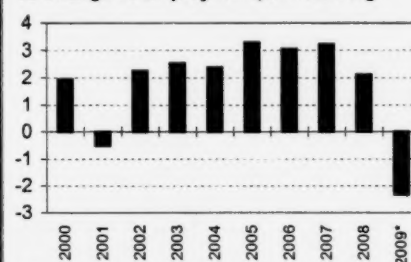


¹ Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

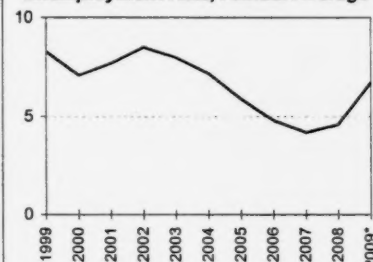
	Actual						% Change in Employment, Annual Avg				Unemployment Rate, Annual Average						
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate									
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)									
1999	2,064.8		1,894.4		170.4		8.3	65.1									
2000	2,079.9	0.7	1,931.3	1.9	148.6	-12.8	7.1	64.8									
2001	2,082.6	0.1	1,921.6	-0.5	161.1	8.4	7.7	64.0									
2002	2,147.6	3.1	1,965.0	2.3	182.6	13.3	8.5	65.1									
2003	2,190.7	2.0	2,014.7	2.5	176.0	-3.6	8.0	65.6									
2004	2,221.9	1.4	2,062.7	2.4	159.2	-9.5	7.2	65.5									
2005	2,263.4	1.9	2,130.5	3.3	132.9	-16.5	5.9	65.6									
2006	2,305.1	1.8	2,195.5	3.1	109.6	-17.5	4.8	65.7									
2007	2,366.4	2.7	2,266.3	3.2	100.0	-8.8	4.2	66.3									
2008	2,425.9	2.5	2,314.3	2.1	111.6	11.6	4.6	66.6	* YTD, seasonally adjusted				* YTD, seasonally adjusted				
Seasonally Adjusted																	
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate		Participation Rate								
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)		(%)								
2008	Jan	2,381.4	2.4	2,274.3	2.8	107.1	-4.4	4.5	66.0	2,406.2		2,307.9		98.3		4.1	66.7
	Feb	2,380.8	2.4	2,275.1	2.4	105.7	2.5	4.4	65.9	2,407.1	0.0	2,306.4	-0.1	100.7	2.4	4.2	66.6
	Mar	2,407.4	3.0	2,305.3	2.6	102.1	12.8	4.2	66.5	2,423.6	0.7	2,316.7	0.4	106.8	6.1	4.4	67.0
	Apr	2,413.2	3.4	2,304.5	3.5	108.7	1.2	4.5	66.5	2,427.0	0.1	2,320.2	0.2	106.8	0.0	4.4	66.9
	May	2,444.1	2.7	2,330.0	2.4	114.0	9.5	4.7	67.3	2,428.3	0.1	2,318.9	-0.1	109.4	2.4	4.5	66.9
	Jun	2,455.3	2.6	2,354.9	2.6	100.4	2.8	4.1	67.5	2,430.5	0.1	2,319.9	0.0	110.5	1.0	4.5	66.8
	Jul	2,469.1	3.2	2,350.1	2.7	119.0	13.1	4.8	67.7	2,431.1	0.0	2,321.6	0.1	109.5	-0.9	4.5	66.7
	Aug	2,466.7	2.8	2,347.0	2.4	119.7	10.4	4.9	67.6	2,429.2	-0.1	2,322.7	0.0	106.5	-2.7	4.4	66.5
	Sep	2,424.5	2.4	2,315.9	1.9	108.6	14.3	4.5	66.3	2,431.2	0.1	2,316.0	-0.3	115.3	8.3	4.7	66.5
	Oct	2,431.2	2.2	2,312.9	1.3	118.3	25.7	4.9	66.4	2,434.6	0.1	2,309.0	-0.3	125.7	9.0	5.2	66.4
	Nov	2,423.0	1.4	2,308.6	0.5	114.3	23.4	4.7	66.1	2,428.1	-0.3	2,307.4	-0.1	120.6	-4.1	5.0	66.2
	Dec	2,413.6	1.5	2,292.8	0.2	120.9	34.0	5.0	65.7	2,432.5	0.2	2,302.7	-0.2	129.7	7.5	5.3	66.2
2009	Jan	2,395.3	0.6	2,233.7	-1.8	161.6	50.9	6.7	65.1	2,415.1	-0.7	2,267.6	-1.5	147.5	13.7	6.1	65.7
	Feb	2,399.9	0.8	2,226.9	-2.1	173.0	63.7	7.2	65.2	2,424.4	0.4	2,262.7	-0.2	161.7	9.6	6.7	65.8
	Mar	2,407.3	0.0	2,221.9	-3.6	185.5	81.7	7.7	65.3	2,420.2	-0.2	2,240.1	-1.0	180.1	11.4	7.4	65.7
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Average:																	
Jan-Mar08	2,389.9		2,284.9		105.0		4.4	66.1	2,412.3		2,310.3		101.9		4.2	66.8	
Jan-Mar09	2,400.8		2,227.5		173.4		7.2	65.2	2,419.9		2,256.8		163.1		6.7	65.7	
% Change	0.5		-2.5		65.2				0.3		-2.3		60.0				

% Change in Employment, Annual Avg



* YTD, seasonally adjusted

Unemployment Rate, Annual Average



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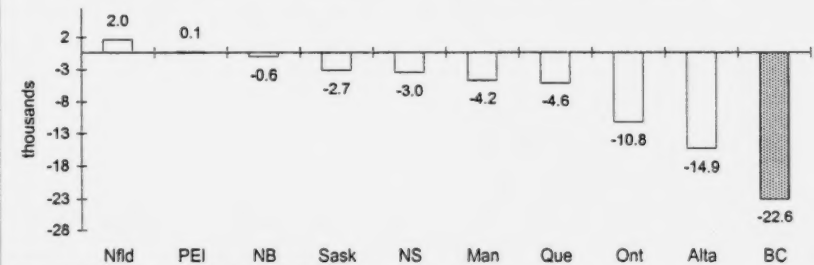
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate		Participation Rate	
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)		(%)	
2008 Jan	2,406.2		2,307.9		98.3		4.1		66.7	
Feb	2,407.1	0.0	2,306.4	-0.1	100.7	2.4	4.2		66.6	
Mar	2,423.6	0.7	2,316.7	0.4	106.8	6.1	4.4		67.0	
Apr	2,427.0	0.1	2,320.2	0.2	106.8	0.0	4.4		66.9	
May	2,428.3	0.1	2,318.9	-0.1	109.4	2.4	4.5		66.9	
Jun	2,430.5	0.1	2,319.9	0.0	110.5	1.0	4.5		66.8	
Jul	2,431.1	0.0	2,321.6	0.1	109.5	-0.9	4.5		66.7	
Aug	2,429.2	-0.1	2,322.7	0.0	106.5	-2.7	4.4		66.5	
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Feb	2,424.4	0.4	2,262.7	-0.2	161.7	9.6	6.7		65.8	
Mar	2,420.2	-0.2	2,240.1	-1.0	180.1	11.4	7.4		65.7	
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Jan-Mar09	2,419.9		2,256.8		163.1		6.7		65.7	
% Change	0.3		-2.3		60.0					

3a Employment ('000) by Province

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999	1,894.4	1,544.0	471.6	541.4	5,636.7	3,328.1	325.5	404.0	60.2	201.0	14,406.7
2000	1,931.3	1,584.0	473.5	552.3	5,817.1	3,402.8	331.2	411.4	62.7	198.0	14,764.2
2001	1,921.6	1,630.9	460.3	554.3	5,926.2	3,440.2	330.1	415.2	63.6	203.8	14,946.2
2002	1,965.0	1,670.8	468.3	567.2	6,031.4	3,569.9	343.1	422.9	64.7	207.2	15,310.4
2003	2,014.7	1,716.7	476.1	570.3	6,213.2	3,628.8	343.1	431.2	66.1	212.3	15,672.3
2004	2,062.7	1,757.5	479.7	576.6	6,316.5	3,680.5	350.1	442.2	66.9	214.3	15,947.0
2005	2,130.5	1,784.4	483.5	580.3	6,397.7	3,717.3	350.5	443.1	68.2	214.1	16,169.7
2006	2,195.5	1,870.7	491.6	587.0	6,492.7	3,765.4	355.4	441.8	68.6	215.7	16,484.3
2007	2,266.3	1,959.4	501.8	596.5	6,593.8	3,851.7	362.8	447.6	69.3	217.1	16,866.4
2008	2,314.3	2,013.3	512.7	606.7	6,687.3	3,881.7	366.2	453.2	70.2	220.3	17,125.8
2008 Jan	2,274.3	1,970.6	496.0	591.7	6,533.8	3,785.9	350.1	436.8	65.2	206.5	16,710.8
Feb	2,275.1	1,973.6	499.8	593.3	6,595.7	3,813.6	353.8	432.2	65.6	207.8	16,810.5
Mar	2,305.3	1,987.6	500.1	594.2	6,586.4	3,809.5	352.0	436.1	66.8	207.3	16,845.2
Apr	2,304.5	1,985.1	503.1	606.6	6,629.2	3,805.8	354.7	447.0	66.5	213.0	16,915.5
May	2,330.0	2,022.5	517.5	612.8	6,774.5	3,903.0	368.7	457.8	74.0	228.9	17,289.8
Jun	2,354.9	2,056.0	521.1	620.7	6,797.4	3,984.3	381.3	469.5	77.2	237.0	17,499.4
Jul	2,350.1	2,039.5	514.9	617.5	6,758.2	3,970.9	382.4	469.9	74.5	240.1	17,417.9
Aug	2,347.0	2,032.5	519.6	612.3	6,787.2	3,938.1	381.9	463.3	76.5	233.4	17,391.9
Sep	2,315.9	2,020.2	522.5	607.0	6,718.9	3,917.5	372.8	458.4	73.0	224.1	17,230.2
Oct	2,312.9	2,035.4	521.6	609.3	6,754.6	3,912.5	371.1	462.1	70.2	221.0	17,270.7
Nov	2,308.6	2,025.1	520.7	609.0	6,665.3	3,888.8	365.2	452.4	67.3	215.3	17,117.8
Dec	2,292.8	2,011.2	516.0	606.2	6,645.9	3,850.2	360.2	452.6	66.3	209.2	17,010.5
2009 Jan	2,233.7	1,994.1	512.6	595.2	6,463.6	3,746.7	353.3	439.4	63.3	199.1	16,600.9
Feb	2,226.9	1,978.0	514.3	599.0	6,452.3	3,751.0	351.4	441.0	64.1	200.2	16,578.2
Mar	2,221.9	1,967.6	511.0	592.8	6,435.0	3,753.3	350.2	438.7	64.4	203.9	16,538.8
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Average:											
Jan-Mar08	2,284.9	1,977.3	498.6	593.1	6,572.0	3,803.0	352.0	435.0	65.9	207.2	16,788.8
Jan-Mar09	2,227.5	1,979.9	512.6	595.7	6,450.3	3,750.3	351.6	439.7	63.9	201.1	16,572.6
% Change	-2.5	0.1	2.8	0.4	-1.9	-1.4	-0.1	1.1	-2.9	-3.0	-1.3

Employment Change*('000), March 2009

Line represents Canada at -61.3

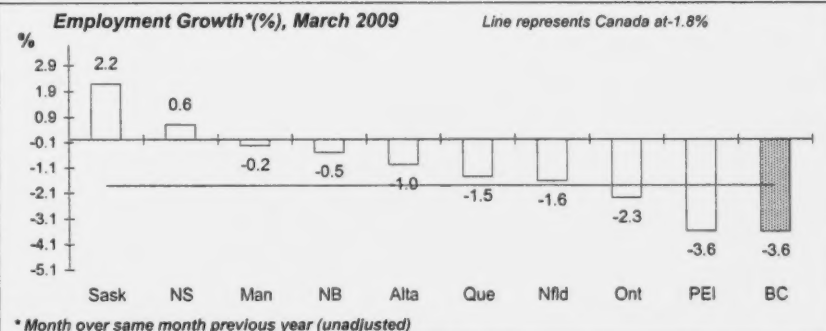


* Current month over previous month (saadi)

Seasonally Adjusted											
BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN	
2,307.9	1,999.3	506.3	602.6	6,653.5	3,889.3	365.2	452.3	70.3	223.9	17,070.6	
2,306.4	1,994.6	509.7	602.0	6,690.8	3,893.0	367.6	449.4	70.6	222.5	17,106.6	
2,316.7	2,001.2	508.1	603.9	6,682.7	3,881.8	365.9	449.8	71.0	221.0	17,102.1	
2,320.2	2,007.3	509.8	611.1	6,696.8	3,867.7	366.2	452.3	70.5	223.0	17,124.9	
2,318.9	2,007.7	509.8	604.6	6,705.2	3,877.8	363.2	449.2	70.8	224.5	17,131.6	
2,319.9	2,015.8	510.0	608.2	6,682.5	3,885.2	363.5	456.0	70.7	219.0	17,131.0	
2,321.6	2,011.9	506.0	609.3	6,668.4	3,857.1	364.9	455.1	69.7	218.4	17,082.4	
2,322.7	2,006.9	513.1	605.4	6,682.9	3,861.5	366.5	452.1	70.3	218.7	17,100.2	
2,316.0	2,021.7	519.5	607.2	6,730.3	3,887.0	367.0	456.4	70.4	216.8	17,192.4	
2,309.0	2,035.2	519.7	606.9	6,719.0	3,890.2	369.2	457.5	69.7	218.3	17,194.7	
2,307.4	2,031.6	520.3	609.2	6,662.9	3,891.7	366.8	453.6	69.5	218.3	17,131.4	
2,302.7	2,022.5	520.3	609.1	6,665.2	3,884.3	366.6	453.5	69.2	217.5	17,111.0	
2,267.6	2,025.8	521.9	607.2	6,594.2	3,858.5	368.2	454.1	68.3	216.2	16,982.0	
2,262.7	2,002.1	522.5	607.9	6,558.9	3,840.1	365.3	456.4	68.6	215.0	16,899.4	
2,240.1	1,987.2	519.8	603.7	6,548.1	3,835.5	364.7	453.4	68.7	217.0	16,838.1	
2,310.3	1,998.4	508.0	602.8	6,675.7	3,888.0	366.2	450.5	70.6	222.5	17,093.1	
2,256.8	2,005.0	521.4	606.3	6,567.1	3,844.7	366.1	454.6	68.5	216.1	16,906.5	
-2.3	0.3	2.6	0.6	-1.6	-1.1	0.0	0.9	-3.0	-2.9	-1.1	

3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

		Actual										
		BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999		1.9	2.3	0.2	1.3	3.4	2.2	3.3	2.2	1.0	4.5	2.6
2000		1.9	2.6	0.4	2.0	3.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	4.2	-1.5	2.5
2001		-0.5	3.0	-2.8	0.4	1.9	1.1	-0.3	0.9	1.4	2.9	1.2
2002		2.3	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	3.8	3.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.4
2003		2.5	2.7	1.7	0.5	3.0	1.6	0.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.4
2004		2.4	2.4	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.6	1.2	0.9	1.8
2005		3.3	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	1.9	-0.1	1.4
2006		3.1	4.8	1.7	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.4	-0.3	0.6	0.7	1.9
2007		3.2	4.7	2.1	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.1	1.3	1.0	0.6	2.3
2008		2.1	2.8	2.2	1.7	1.4	0.8	0.9	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.5
2008	Jan	2.8	3.6	0.5	2.1	1.5	2.3	2.2	1.0	0.6	4.0	2.1
	Feb	2.4	3.0	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.5	2.6	-0.3	1.2	2.4	2.3
	Mar	2.6	3.5	1.1	1.4	1.9	1.5	2.0	0.7	2.1	1.8	2.0
	Apr	3.5	3.0	1.8	3.3	2.2	0.5	1.4	1.0	1.1	2.6	2.0
	May	2.4	3.0	1.7	1.4	2.1	1.1	0.4	0.7	3.1	3.0	1.9
	Jun	2.6	3.0	2.2	2.1	1.7	0.8	-0.4	2.3	3.8	2.8	1.8
	Jul	2.7	2.0	1.2	2.4	1.0	-0.2	0.6	2.7	1.2	1.5	1.2
	Aug	2.4	1.9	3.0	1.5	1.3	0.0	0.8	1.5	1.9	1.1	1.3
	Sep	1.9	2.3	3.6	1.3	1.7	0.5	0.9	2.3	1.7	-0.1	1.6
	Oct	1.3	3.2	3.4	0.8	1.1	0.4	1.5	1.8	-1.8	0.5	1.3
	Nov	0.5	3.2	2.9	0.8	0.1	0.1	-0.4	0.9	0.9	0.0	0.6
	Dec	0.2	1.5	3.4	1.7	0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.3	-0.2	-1.8	0.5
2009	Jan	-1.8	1.2	3.3	0.6	-1.1	-1.0	0.9	0.6	-2.9	-3.6	-0.7
	Feb	-2.1	0.2	2.9	1.0	-2.2	-1.6	-0.7	2.0	-2.3	-3.7	-1.4
	Mar	-3.6	-1.0	2.2	-0.2	-2.3	-1.5	-0.5	0.6	-3.6	-1.6	-1.8
	Apr											
	May											
	Jun											
	Jul											
	Aug											
	Sep											
	Oct											
	Nov											
	Dec											



		Seasonally Adjusted											
		BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN	
		0.4	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.7	1.9	0.2	
		-0.1	-0.2	0.7	-0.1	0.6	0.1	0.7	-0.6	0.4	-0.6	0.2	
		0.4	0.3	-0.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	0.1	0.6	-0.7	0.0	
		0.2	0.3	0.3	1.2	0.2	-0.4	0.1	0.6	-0.7	0.9	0.1	
		-0.1	0.0	0.0	-1.1	0.1	0.3	-0.8	-0.7	0.4	0.7	0.0	
		0.0	0.4	0.0	0.6	-0.3	0.2	0.1	1.5	-0.1	-2.4	0.0	
		0.1	-0.2	-0.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.7	0.4	-0.2	-1.4	-0.3	-0.3	
		0.0	-0.2	1.4	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.4	-0.7	0.9	0.1	0.1	
		-0.3	0.7	1.2	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.1	1.0	0.1	-0.9	0.5	
		-0.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.6	0.2	-1.0	0.7	0.0	
		-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.4	-0.8	0.0	-0.7	-0.9	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	
		-0.2	-0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1	
		-1.5	0.2	0.3	-0.3	-1.1	-0.7	0.4	0.1	-1.3	-0.6	-0.8	
		-0.2	-1.2	0.1	0.1	-0.5	-0.5	-0.8	0.5	0.4	-0.6	-0.5	
		-1.0	-0.7	-0.5	-0.7	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.7	0.1	0.9	-0.4	

Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

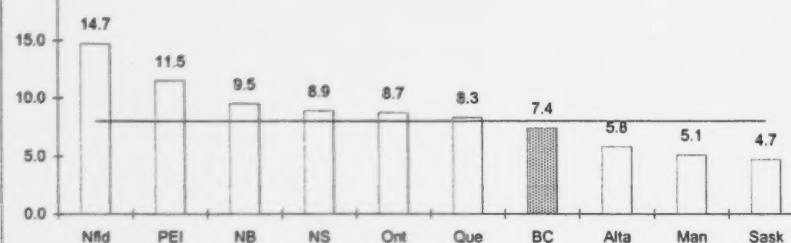
4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.3	16.9	7.6
2000	7.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.8	8.5	10.0	9.1	12.1	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.1	6.3	8.8	11.1	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.1	7.1	8.6	10.2	9.6	12.0	16.7	7.7
2003	8.0	5.1	5.6	5.0	6.9	9.1	10.3	9.1	11.0	16.5	7.6
2004	7.2	4.6	5.3	5.3	6.8	8.5	9.8	8.8	11.3	15.7	7.2
2005	5.9	3.9	5.1	4.8	6.6	8.3	9.7	8.4	10.8	15.2	6.8
2006	4.8	3.4	4.7	4.3	6.3	8.0	8.8	7.9	11.0	14.8	6.3
2007	4.2	3.5	4.2	4.4	6.4	7.2	7.5	8.0	10.3	13.6	6.0
2008	4.6	3.6	4.1	4.2	6.5	7.2	8.6	7.7	10.8	13.2	6.1

Unemployment Rates*(%), March 2009

Line represents Canada at 8%



*Seasonally adjusted

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2008 Jan	4.5	3.6	4.5	4.1	6.5	7.8	9.3	8.3	14.0	14.6	6.3
Feb	4.4	3.6	4.3	4.5	6.1	7.7	8.9	8.6	11.8	14.6	6.1
Mar	4.2	3.3	4.4	4.6	6.8	8.0	9.4	8.8	12.6	14.4	6.4
Apr	4.5	3.3	4.5	4.3	6.3	8.0	9.9	8.4	15.1	15.9	6.3
May	4.7	3.7	4.0	3.9	6.6	7.2	9.4	8.5	8.4	13.4	6.2
Jun	4.1	2.8	3.4	3.4	6.5	6.3	8.1	6.6	6.4	11.0	5.6
Jul	4.8	3.8	4.8	3.9	7.2	6.8	8.5	6.5	9.3	11.2	6.3
Aug	4.9	4.0	5.4	4.8	7.0	7.5	8.4	7.9	7.7	12.6	6.5
Sep	4.5	3.7	3.6	4.3	6.1	6.6	6.9	7.2	9.0	11.4	5.7
Oct	4.9	3.5	3.3	3.8	5.9	6.5	7.8	6.7	9.7	12.4	5.6
Nov	4.7	3.5	3.2	4.0	6.7	7.2	8.0	7.7	11.7	13.6	6.2
Dec	5.0	4.1	4.0	4.2	6.6	7.3	8.5	7.4	14.0	13.9	6.3
2009 Jan	6.7	4.9	4.6	4.9	8.2	9.0	9.8	9.9	15.9	17.2	7.8
Feb	7.2	5.9	5.2	5.3	8.9	9.0	9.7	9.9	15.4	17.7	8.3
Mar	7.7	6.1	5.2	5.4	9.5	9.7	10.9	10.3	14.0	17.1	8.8
Apr											
May											
Jun											
Jul											
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Sep											
Oct											
Nov											
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-Mar08	4.4	3.5	4.4	4.4	6.5	7.8	9.2	8.6	12.8	14.5	6.3
Jan-Mar09	7.2	5.6	5.0	5.2	8.9	9.2	10.1	10.0	15.1	17.3	8.3

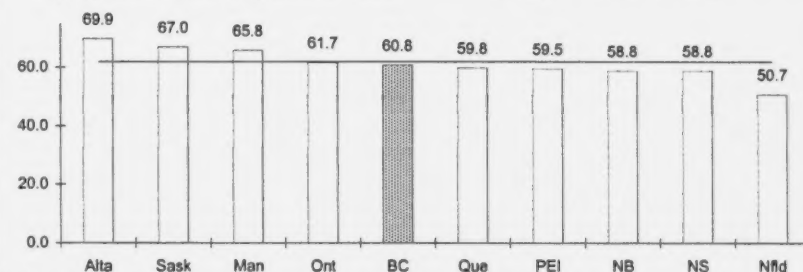
BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
4.1	3.3	3.9	3.8	6.3	6.8	8.4	7.4	10.6	12.4	5.8
4.2	3.6	4.1	4.2	6.1	7.0	8.3	7.7	9.9	13.0	5.9
4.4	3.4	4.2	4.4	6.4	7.3	8.6	7.8	10.5	12.7	6.1
4.4	3.3	4.3	3.8	6.3	7.5	8.4	7.7	11.2	13.2	6.0
4.5	3.6	4.1	4.2	6.4	7.5	8.7	8.3	9.6	12.7	6.1
4.5	3.3	4.0	4.2	6.7	7.2	9.7	7.6	10.5	13.2	6.2
4.5	3.7	4.4	3.7	6.4	7.4	8.7	6.9	10.6	13.5	6.1
4.4	3.5	4.5	4.0	6.4	7.6	8.4	8.2	10.4	13.7	6.2
4.7	3.8	4.0	4.5	6.5	7.3	8.1	7.7	11.3	13.5	6.2
5.2	3.7	3.9	4.3	6.7	7.2	8.9	7.6	11.6	13.8	6.3
5.0	3.5	3.8	4.2	7.1	7.2	8.7	7.8	10.8	13.7	6.4
5.3	4.2	4.2	4.3	7.2	7.3	8.6	8.2	11.7	13.7	6.6
6.1	4.4	4.1	4.6	8.0	7.7	8.7	8.8	11.9	14.3	7.2
6.7	5.4	4.7	4.8	8.7	7.9	8.8	8.8	12.3	15.1	7.7
7.4	5.8	4.7	5.1	8.7	8.3	9.5	8.9	11.5	14.7	8.0
4.2	3.4	4.1	4.1	6.3	7.0	8.4	7.6	10.3	12.7	5.9
6.7	5.2	4.5	4.8	8.5	8.0	9.0	8.8	11.9	14.7	7.6

4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

		Actual										
		BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1999		59.7	68.5	62.8	63.7	62.3	56.9	54.6	55.0	56.6	46.6	60.6
2000		60.2	68.6	63.3	64.5	63.2	57.8	55.4	55.7	58.7	46.1	61.3
2001		59.0	69.0	61.8	64.4	63.0	57.9	55.0	55.9	59.0	47.7	61.1
2002		59.6	69.1	63.1	65.5	62.9	59.5	57.0	56.6	59.5	48.5	61.7
2003		60.3	69.8	64.0	65.3	63.8	60.0	56.7	57.3	60.2	49.5	62.4
2004		60.9	70.1	64.3	65.4	63.8	60.2	57.6	58.4	60.3	49.8	62.7
2005		61.8	69.8	64.6	65.3	63.5	60.1	57.4	58.2	61.1	49.8	62.7
2006		62.5	70.8	65.9	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.1	57.9	61.1	50.4	63.0
2007		63.5	71.5	66.8	66.4	63.6	61.0	59.2	58.6	61.2	51.2	63.5
2008		63.5	72.0	66.8	66.7	63.6	60.9	59.3	59.0	61.3	51.7	63.6
2008	Jan	63.0	71.1	65.3	65.4	62.6	59.7	56.9	57.0	57.3	48.6	62.5
	Feb	63.0	71.1	65.7	65.6	63.1	60.1	57.4	56.4	57.6	48.9	62.8
	Mar	63.7	71.5	65.6	65.6	63.0	60.0	57.1	56.9	58.7	48.7	62.8
	Apr	63.5	71.3	65.9	66.9	63.3	59.8	57.5	58.2	58.3	50.0	63.0
	May	64.1	72.5	67.6	67.5	64.6	61.3	59.7	59.6	64.9	53.8	64.3
	Jun	64.7	73.6	68.0	68.3	64.7	62.6	61.7	61.1	67.5	55.6	65.0
	Jul	64.5	72.8	67.0	67.8	64.3	62.3	61.8	61.1	65.0	56.3	64.6
	Aug	64.3	72.5	67.6	67.2	64.5	61.7	61.7	60.2	66.6	54.8	64.5
	Sep	63.3	71.9	67.8	66.5	63.7	61.4	60.2	59.5	63.4	52.5	63.8
	Oct	63.1	72.4	67.6	66.7	64.0	61.2	59.9	60.0	60.9	51.7	63.9
	Nov	62.9	71.9	67.4	66.6	63.1	60.8	59.0	58.7	58.3	50.4	63.2
	Dec	62.4	71.2	66.7	66.3	62.8	60.2	58.1	58.7	57.5	48.9	62.8
2009	Jan	60.8	70.5	66.2	65.0	61.0	58.5	57.0	57.0	54.9	46.5	61.2
	Feb	60.5	69.7	66.3	65.3	60.8	58.5	56.6	57.2	55.6	46.8	61.0
	Mar	60.3	69.2	65.8	64.6	60.6	58.5	56.4	56.9	55.8	47.6	60.8
	Apr											
	May											
	Jun											
	Jul											
	Aug											
	Sep											
	Oct											
	Nov											
	Dec											
Average:												
Jan-Mar08		63.2	71.2	65.5	65.5	62.9	59.9	57.1	56.8	57.9	48.7	62.7
Jan-Mar09		60.5	69.8	66.1	65.0	60.8	58.5	56.7	57.0	55.4	47.0	61.0

Employment Rates*(%), March 2009

Line represents Canada at 61.9%



*Seasonally adjusted

Seasonally Adjusted

BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
63.9	72.1	66.6	66.6	63.7	61.3	59.3	59.0	61.8	52.7	63.8
63.8	71.9	67.0	66.5	64.0	61.3	59.7	58.6	62.0	52.3	63.9
64.0	72.0	66.7	66.7	63.9	61.1	59.3	58.6	62.4	52.0	63.8
64.0	72.1	66.8	67.4	63.9	60.8	59.4	58.9	61.8	52.4	63.8
63.8	72.0	66.6	66.6	63.9	60.9	58.8	58.5	62.1	52.7	63.8
63.7	72.1	66.5	66.9	63.6	61.0	58.8	59.3	61.9	51.4	63.7
63.7	71.9	65.9	66.9	63.4	60.5	59.0	59.2	60.8	51.2	63.4
63.6	71.6	66.7	66.4	63.5	60.5	59.2	58.8	61.2	51.3	63.4
63.3	72.0	67.4	66.6	63.8	60.9	59.3	59.3	61.1	50.8	63.6
63.0	72.4	67.3	66.5	63.6	60.9	59.6	59.4	60.5	51.1	63.6
62.9	72.1	67.3	66.7	63.0	60.8	59.2	58.9	60.2	51.1	63.3
62.7	71.6	67.2	66.6	63.0	60.7	59.2	58.9	60.0	50.9	63.1
61.7	71.6	67.4	66.3	62.3	60.2	59.4	58.9	59.2	50.5	62.6
61.5	70.6	67.4	66.3	61.8	59.9	58.9	59.2	59.5	50.2	62.2
60.8	69.9	67.0	65.8	61.7	59.8	58.8	58.8	59.5	50.7	61.9
63.9	72.0	66.8	66.6	63.9	61.2	59.4	58.7	62.1	52.3	63.8
61.3	70.7	67.3	66.1	61.9	60.0	59.0	59.0	59.4	50.5	62.2

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Annual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1999	138.2	521.0	333.8	1,011.5	26.5	48.5	22.8	98.8	134.8	461.3	278.2	882.9	19.1	35.9	16.4	71.6	273.0	982.3	611.9	1,894.4	45.6	84.4	39.2	170.4
2000	141.0	522.6	350.4	1,031.3	25.7	37.1	20.6	83.8	138.2	458.2	295.8	900.0	18.5	31.2	15.0	64.8	279.2	980.8	646.2	1,931.3	44.2	68.3	35.6	148.6
2001	140.9	509.8	354.1	1,020.1	27.1	44.5	23.0	95.6	138.2	452.8	301.3	901.4	18.0	32.1	14.9	65.5	279.1	962.5	655.4	1,921.6	45.1	76.6	37.9	161.1
2002	147.8	503.2	365.8	1,037.7	30.2	45.8	26.9	104.1	145.8	452.5	318.1	927.3	22.0	37.4	18.4	78.5	293.6	955.8	683.9	1,965.0	52.2	83.2	45.3	182.6
2003	149.3	502.2	389.7	1,065.8	28.5	39.2	27.0	95.5	149.7	454.6	333.3	948.9	21.8	36.4	21.6	80.5	299.0	956.8	723.0	2,014.7	50.3	75.6	48.5	176.0
2004	153.8	508.2	403.8	1,091.2	25.9	34.4	24.1	85.4	154.0	463.7	342.6	971.5	21.9	30.5	20.8	73.7	307.8	971.9	746.4	2,062.7	47.8	64.9	44.8	159.2
2005	166.5	513.1	424.4	1,130.5	20.3	27.1	21.4	69.8	165.7	457.3	360.8	1,000.0	17.1	26.0	19.5	63.1	332.1	970.4	785.3	2,130.5	37.4	53.1	40.9	132.9
2006	172.7	520.1	439.8	1,160.9	17.5	21.2	16.0	56.2	176.9	465.8	376.8	1,034.5	13.9	22.3	16.1	53.4	349.6	985.9	816.6	2,195.5	31.4	43.5	32.0	109.6
2007	188.2	530.3	462.6	1,210.9	15.3	19.5	14.8	50.6	174.4	467.6	395.5	1,055.4	14.4	19.3	15.4	49.4	362.6	997.9	858.2	2,266.3	29.7	38.8	30.2	100.0
2008	181.9	533.3	475.8	1,230.9	19.1	22.0	17.4	59.5	181.2	472.4	410.7	1,083.4	14.3	21.4	15.8	52.1	363.1	1,005.8	886.5	2,314.3	33.5	43.5	33.2	111.6
2008 Jan	176.8	526.5	471.6	1,209.8	18.6	24.5	15.8	59.9	171.9	478.4	397.8	1,064.5	12.7	18.8	15.3	47.2	348.7	1,004.9	869.3	2,274.3	31.3	43.3	31.2	107.1
Feb	178.8	521.7	473.4	1,207.5	15.4	26.3	14.4	57.2	175.1	477.1	400.2	1,067.6	15.7	18.7	13.8	48.5	353.9	998.9	873.7	2,275.1	31.1	45.0	28.2	105.7
Mar	180.8	529.6	477.3	1,226.1	11.9	25.2	16.3	54.3	180.2	469.7	412.4	1,079.2	11.1	19.5	16.9	47.8	361.0	999.3	889.7	2,305.3	23.0	44.7	33.2	102.1
Apr	180.4	531.3	473.6	1,221.3	17.6	25.8	17.9	62.0	176.8	471.5	415.0	1,083.2	14.0	19.5	13.2	46.7	357.1	1,002.8	888.6	2,304.5	31.5	45.3	31.1	108.7
May	180.8	532.6	475.2	1,228.0	25.6	21.9	14.8	63.7	186.1	475.1	418.0	1,102.0	16.4	19.0	14.9	50.3	366.9	1,007.7	893.1	2,330.0	42.0	40.9	29.6	114.0
Jun	187.4	533.8	484.3	1,244.9	20.3	18.9	18.2	58.8	195.3	475.0	418.7	1,110.0	12.1	17.2	12.4	41.6	382.7	1,008.7	903.0	2,354.9	32.4	36.0	30.6	100.4
Jul	199.6	536.5	483.1	1,259.4	26.0	18.8	18.4	63.5	198.1	465.0	405.1	1,090.7	17.1	20.1	18.2	55.5	397.6	1,001.5	888.2	2,350.1	43.1	38.9	36.6	119.0
Aug	208.6	541.1	480.4	1,273.5	18.5	16.1	14.0	49.1	193.3	463.3	396.6	1,073.5	15.9	29.4	24.7	70.6	401.9	1,004.4	877.0	2,347.0	34.5	45.5	38.7	119.7
Sep	173.5	541.8	478.3	1,238.1	16.0	16.1	15.7	48.8	175.2	473.1	410.1	1,077.8	15.9	26.8	15.7	59.8	348.8	1,014.8	888.4	2,315.9	31.9	42.9	31.4	108.6
Oct	173.2	535.8	478.3	1,233.9	17.7	19.8	19.4	57.0	171.9	470.6	417.0	1,079.0	17.5	26.6	15.8	61.2	345.2	1,006.4	895.3	2,312.9	35.2	46.4	35.1	118.3
Nov	173.8	535.4	469.6	1,219.7	20.6	23.2	19.3	64.7	175.1	477.9	418.9	1,088.9	14.3	19.4	15.6	49.6	348.9	1,013.3	888.5	2,308.6	34.9	42.6	34.9	114.3
Dec	168.6	534.2	464.9	1,208.4	21.5	27.8	25.1	74.5	175.6	472.3	418.1	1,084.4	9.1	22.2	13.0	46.3	344.1	1,006.4	883.1	2,292.8	30.6	50.0	38.1	120.9
2009 Jan	148.5	515.2	462.8	1,165.4	29.7	41.1	26.0	97.9	173.2	460.9	415.1	1,068.3	10.3	28.2	24.0	63.7	321.7	976.1	877.9	2,233.7	40.0	69.3	49.9	161.6
Feb	146.5	508.6	464.9	1,159.3	33.6	42.9	36.1	113.0	166.2	464.7	416.0	1,067.6	10.5	27.1	21.8	60.0	312.7	973.4	880.9	2,226.9	44.1	70.1	57.9	173.0
Mar	146.3	503.5	463.4	1,150.4	31.7	40.9	38.5	112.6	169.6	463.5	417.9	1,071.5	14.2	30.7	27.3	72.8	315.9	967.0	881.3	2,221.9	45.8	71.6	65.8	185.5
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Jan-Mar08	178.8	525.9	474.1	1,214.5	15.3	25.3	15.5	57.1	175.7	475.1	403.5	1,070.4	13.2	19.0	15.3	47.8	354.5	1,001.0	877.6	2,284.9	28.5	44.3	30.9	105.0
Jan-Mar09	147.1	509.1	463.7	1,158.4	31.7	41.6	33.5	107.8	169.7	463.0	416.3	1,069.1	11.7	28.7	24.4	65.5	316.8	972.2	880.0	2,227.5	43.3	70.3	57.9	173.4
% Change	-17.7	-3.2	-2.2	-4.6	107.0	64.3	116.3	88.7	-3.5	-2.5	3.2	-0.1	-11.4	50.9	58.9	36.9	-10.7	-2.9	0.3	-2.5	52.1	58.6	87.5	65.2

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1999	62.0	91.4	77.8	71.0	16.1	8.5	6.4	8.9	60.5	78.9	64.2	59.3	12.4	7.2	5.6	7.5	61.3	85.1	71.0	65.1	14.3	7.9	6.0	8.3
2000	61.9	90.8	78.3	70.5	15.4	6.6	5.6	7.5	60.9	78.2	65.3	59.3	11.8	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.4	84.4	71.8	64.8	13.7	6.5	5.2	7.1
2001	61.2	90.6	77.1	69.5	16.1	8.0	6.1	8.6	59.7	77.9	64.0	58.6	11.5	6.6	4.7	6.8	60.5	84.2	70.5	64.0	13.9	7.4	5.5	7.7
2002	63.8	90.6	77.6	70.3	17.0	8.3	6.9	9.1	62.9	79.4	65.6	60.1	13.1	7.6	5.5	7.8	63.4	84.9	71.5	65.1	15.1	8.0	6.2	8.5
2003	63.0	90.4	79.6	70.7	16.0	7.2	6.5	8.2	63.2	80.5	66.7	60.7	12.7	7.4	6.1	7.8	63.1	85.4	73.1	65.6	14.4	7.3	6.3	8.0
2004	62.8	91.2	79.1	70.6	14.4	6.3	5.6	7.3	63.9	81.5	65.9	60.7	12.5	6.2	5.7	7.1	63.3	86.3	72.4	65.5	13.4	6.3	5.7	7.2
2005	64.2	90.9	79.9	70.8	10.9	5.0	4.8	5.8	65.5	79.7	66.6	60.7	9.4	5.4	5.1	5.9	64.8	85.3	73.2	65.6	10.1	5.2	5.0	5.9
2006	64.6	90.6	79.1	70.4	9.2	3.9	3.5	4.6	67.7	80.2	66.6	61.0	7.3	4.6	4.1	4.9	66.1	85.4	72.8	65.7	8.2	4.2	3.8	4.8
2007	68.9	91.5	80.4	71.7	7.5	3.5	3.1	4.0	66.7	79.7	67.6	61.0	7.6	4.0	3.7	4.5	67.8	85.5	73.9	66.3	7.6	3.7	3.4	4.2
2008	67.6	91.6	80.5	71.9	9.5	4.0	3.5	4.6	68.5	80.1	68.0	61.5	7.3	4.3	3.7	4.6	68.0	85.8	74.2	66.6	8.4	4.1	3.6	4.6
2008 Jan	65.9	91.3	80.6	71.4	9.5	4.4	3.2	4.7	64.8	81.1	66.8	60.7	6.9	3.8	3.7	4.2	65.4	86.1	73.6	66.0	8.2	4.1	3.5	4.5
2008 Feb	65.5	90.7	80.5	71.0	7.9	4.8	3.0	4.5	67.0	80.8	66.8	60.9	8.2	3.8	3.3	4.3	66.2	85.7	73.6	65.9	8.1	4.3	3.1	4.4
2008 Mar	65.0	91.8	81.3	71.8	6.2	4.5	3.3	4.2	67.0	79.6	69.1	61.4	5.8	4.0	3.9	4.2	66.0	85.7	75.1	66.5	6.0	4.3	3.6	4.2
2008 Apr	66.6	92.1	80.7	71.8	8.9	4.6	3.6	4.8	66.8	79.9	68.7	61.4	7.3	4.0	3.1	4.1	66.7	85.9	74.6	66.5	8.1	4.3	3.4	4.5
2008 May	69.5	91.6	80.2	72.2	12.4	4.0	3.0	4.9	71.0	80.3	69.3	62.5	8.1	3.8	3.4	4.4	70.2	85.9	74.7	67.3	10.3	3.9	3.2	4.7
2008 Jun	69.9	91.2	82.0	72.7	9.8	3.4	3.6	4.5	72.6	79.9	68.8	62.4	5.8	3.5	2.9	3.6	71.2	85.5	75.4	67.5	7.8	3.4	3.3	4.1
2008 Jul	75.8	91.5	81.7	73.7	11.5	3.4	3.7	4.8	75.3	78.7	67.4	62.0	7.9	4.1	4.3	4.8	75.6	85.1	74.5	67.7	9.8	3.7	4.0	4.8
2008 Aug	76.3	91.8	80.3	73.5	8.1	2.9	2.8	3.7	73.2	79.8	66.9	61.8	7.6	6.0	5.9	6.2	74.8	85.7	73.6	67.6	7.9	4.3	4.2	4.9
2008 Sep	63.7	91.8	80.0	71.4	8.4	2.9	3.2	3.8	66.8	80.9	67.4	61.3	8.3	5.4	3.7	5.3	65.2	86.3	73.7	66.3	8.4	4.1	3.4	4.5
2008 Oct	64.1	91.4	80.4	71.5	9.3	3.6	3.9	4.4	66.2	80.4	68.4	61.4	9.2	5.3	3.7	5.4	65.1	85.8	74.4	66.4	9.3	4.4	3.8	4.9
2008 Nov	65.3	91.8	78.9	71.1	10.6	4.2	3.9	5.0	66.2	80.4	68.5	61.2	7.6	3.9	3.6	4.4	65.7	86.1	73.6	66.1	9.1	4.0	3.8	4.7
2008 Dec	63.8	92.4	78.9	70.9	11.3	4.9	5.1	5.8	64.6	80.0	67.9	60.7	4.9	4.5	3.0	4.1	64.2	86.1	73.3	65.7	8.2	4.7	4.1	5.0
2009 Jan	59.8	91.5	78.5	69.7	16.7	7.4	5.3	7.7	64.1	79.1	68.9	60.7	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.6	61.9	85.2	73.6	65.1	11.1	6.6	5.4	6.7
2009 Feb	60.5	90.7	80.3	70.1	18.7	7.8	7.2	8.9	61.7	79.6	68.5	60.4	5.9	5.5	5.0	5.3	61.1	85.1	74.3	65.2	12.4	6.7	6.2	7.2
2009 Mar	59.7	89.5	80.3	69.5	17.8	7.5	7.7	8.9	64.2	79.9	69.6	61.2	7.7	6.2	6.1	6.4	61.9	84.7	74.9	65.3	12.7	6.9	6.9	7.7
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Jan-Mar08	65.5	91.3	80.8	71.4	7.9	4.6	3.2	4.5	66.3	80.5	67.6	61.0	7.0	3.9	3.6	4.2	65.9	85.8	74.1	66.1	7.4	4.2	3.4	4.4
Jan-Mar09	60.0	90.6	79.7	69.8	17.7	7.6	6.7	8.5	63.3	79.5	69.0	60.8	6.4	5.8	5.5	5.8	61.6	85.0	74.3	65.2	12.1	6.7	6.2	7.2

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1999	138.2	873.3	1,011.5	26.5	72.3	98.8	134.8	748.1	882.9	19.1	52.5	71.6	273.0	1,621.4	1,894.4	45.6	124.9	170.4
2000	141.0	890.3	1,031.3	25.7	58.1	83.8	138.2	761.7	900.0	18.5	46.3	64.8	279.2	1,652.1	1,931.3	44.2	104.4	148.6
2001	140.9	879.2	1,020.1	27.1	68.5	95.6	138.2	763.3	901.4	18.0	47.5	65.5	279.1	1,642.5	1,921.6	45.1	116.0	161.1
2002	147.8	889.9	1,037.7	30.2	74.0	104.1	145.8	781.5	927.3	22.0	56.5	78.5	293.6	1,671.4	1,965.0	52.2	130.4	182.6
2003	149.3	916.5	1,065.8	28.5	67.1	95.5	149.7	799.2	948.9	21.8	58.7	80.5	299.0	1,715.7	2,014.7	50.3	125.7	176.0
2004	153.8	937.4	1,091.2	25.9	59.5	85.4	154.0	817.5	971.5	21.9	51.8	73.7	307.8	1,754.9	2,062.7	47.8	111.3	159.2
2005	166.5	964.0	1,130.5	20.3	49.5	69.8	165.7	834.4	1,000.0	17.1	46.0	63.1	332.1	1,798.4	2,130.5	37.4	95.5	132.9
2006	172.7	988.2	1,160.9	17.5	38.8	56.2	176.9	857.6	1,034.5	13.9	39.5	53.4	349.6	1,845.8	2,195.5	31.4	78.2	109.6
2007	188.2	1,022.7	1,210.9	15.3	35.4	50.6	174.4	881.0	1,055.4	14.4	35.0	49.4	362.6	1,903.7	2,266.3	29.7	70.4	100.0
2008	181.9	1,049.0	1,230.9	19.1	40.3	59.5	181.2	902.2	1,083.4	14.3	37.8	52.1	363.1	1,951.2	2,314.3	33.5	78.1	111.6
2008 Jan	189.9	1,043.8	1,233.7	17.1	36.5	53.6	180.7	893.5	1,074.2	13.1	31.6	44.7	370.6	1,937.3	2,307.9	30.2	68.1	98.3
Feb	187.9	1,039.8	1,227.7	15.6	36.4	52.0	181.1	897.6	1,078.7	16.5	32.2	48.7	369.0	1,937.5	2,306.4	32.1	68.6	100.7
Mar	188.5	1,049.0	1,237.5	13.6	40.6	54.3	183.8	895.4	1,079.2	13.9	38.7	52.6	372.3	1,944.4	2,316.7	27.5	79.3	106.8
Apr	185.4	1,049.4	1,234.8	18.6	41.2	59.8	184.8	900.6	1,085.4	13.4	33.6	47.0	370.2	1,950.0	2,320.2	31.9	74.8	106.8
May	181.2	1,044.2	1,225.3	21.7	39.4	61.1	184.3	909.2	1,093.6	13.6	34.7	48.3	365.5	1,953.4	2,318.9	35.3	74.1	109.4
Jun	179.7	1,048.6	1,228.4	20.2	42.6	62.7	185.2	906.4	1,091.6	12.5	35.3	47.8	364.9	1,955.0	2,319.9	32.6	77.9	110.5
Jul	178.7	1,055.3	1,234.1	18.9	40.1	59.0	183.9	903.6	1,087.6	12.2	38.3	50.5	362.6	1,959.0	2,321.6	31.1	78.4	109.5
Aug	186.4	1,059.7	1,246.0	19.4	32.6	52.0	179.9	896.8	1,076.7	14.4	40.1	54.5	366.2	1,956.5	2,322.7	33.7	72.8	106.5
Sep	178.2	1,053.9	1,232.2	17.8	39.4	57.3	179.6	904.1	1,083.8	15.5	42.5	58.0	357.9	1,958.1	2,316.0	33.3	82.0	115.3
Oct	176.7	1,053.0	1,229.7	20.1	43.1	63.2	175.9	903.4	1,079.3	17.9	44.5	62.5	352.6	1,956.4	2,309.0	38.1	87.6	125.7
Nov	176.3	1,045.4	1,221.8	23.8	43.5	67.3	176.5	909.2	1,085.7	16.1	37.2	53.3	352.8	1,954.7	2,307.4	39.9	80.7	120.6
Dec	172.6	1,046.8	1,219.4	23.9	49.2	73.1	176.3	907.0	1,083.4	13.0	43.6	56.6	348.9	1,953.8	2,302.7	36.9	92.9	129.7
2009 Jan	161.6	1,029.2	1,190.8	26.2	61.8	88.0	181.2	895.6	1,076.8	11.4	48.1	59.4	342.8	1,924.8	2,267.6	37.6	109.9	147.5
Feb	155.6	1,026.7	1,182.3	31.9	71.0	102.9	174.5	905.9	1,080.4	11.4	47.5	58.9	330.1	1,932.6	2,262.7	43.2	118.5	161.7
Mar	155.0	1,010.4	1,165.4	34.5	72.3	106.9	174.9	899.8	1,074.7	17.1	56.2	73.2	329.9	1,910.2	2,240.1	51.6	128.5	180.1
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Jan-Mar08	188.8	1,044.2	1,233.0	15.4	37.8	53.3	181.9	895.5	1,077.4	14.5	34.2	48.7	370.6	1,939.7	2,310.3	29.9	72.0	101.9
Jan-Mar09	157.4	1,022.1	1,179.5	30.9	68.4	99.3	176.9	900.4	1,077.3	13.3	50.6	63.8	334.3	1,922.5	2,256.8	44.1	119.0	163.1
% Change	-16.6	-2.1	-4.3	100.0	80.7	86.2	-2.7	0.6	0.0	-8.3	48.1	31.2	-9.8	-0.9	-2.3	47.4	65.2	60.0

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5d BC Participation, Unemployment and Employment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1999	62.0	72.8	71.0	16.1	7.6	8.9	52.0	67.2	64.6	60.5	59.1	59.3	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.0	55.2	54.9	61.3	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.5	61.1	59.7
2000	61.9	72.2	70.5	15.4	6.1	7.5	52.3	67.8	65.2	60.9	58.9	59.3	11.8	5.7	6.7	53.7	55.6	55.3	61.4	65.4	64.8	13.7	5.9	7.1	53.0	61.6	60.2
2001	61.2	71.3	69.5	16.1	7.2	8.6	51.3	66.1	63.6	59.7	58.3	58.6	11.5	5.9	6.8	52.8	54.9	54.6	60.5	64.7	64.0	13.9	6.6	7.7	52.1	60.4	59.0
2002	63.8	71.6	70.3	17.0	7.7	9.1	53.0	66.1	63.9	62.9	59.5	60.1	13.1	6.7	7.8	54.7	55.5	55.4	63.4	65.4	65.1	15.1	7.2	8.5	53.8	60.7	59.6
2003	63.0	72.2	70.7	16.0	6.8	8.2	52.9	67.3	64.8	63.2	60.2	60.7	12.7	6.8	7.8	55.2	56.1	55.9	63.1	66.1	65.6	14.4	6.8	8.0	54.0	61.6	60.3
2004	62.8	72.2	70.6	14.4	6.0	7.3	53.7	67.9	65.5	63.9	60.0	60.7	12.5	6.0	7.1	56.0	56.5	56.4	63.3	66.0	65.5	13.4	6.0	7.2	54.8	62.0	60.9
2005	64.2	72.1	70.8	10.9	4.9	5.8	57.2	68.6	66.7	65.5	59.8	60.7	9.4	5.2	5.9	59.4	56.6	57.1	64.8	65.8	65.6	10.1	5.0	5.9	58.2	62.5	61.8
2006	64.6	71.6	70.4	9.2	3.8	4.6	58.7	68.9	67.2	67.7	59.8	61.0	7.3	4.4	4.9	62.8	57.1	58.0	66.1	65.6	65.7	8.2	4.1	4.8	60.7	62.9	62.5
2007	68.9	72.3	71.7	7.5	3.3	4.0	63.7	69.9	68.9	66.7	59.9	61.0	7.6	3.8	4.5	61.5	57.6	58.2	67.8	66.0	66.3	7.6	3.6	4.2	62.6	63.6	63.5
2008	67.6	72.8	71.9	9.5	3.7	4.6	61.2	70.1	68.6	68.5	60.2	61.5	7.3	4.0	4.6	63.4	57.8	58.6	68.0	66.3	66.6	8.4	3.8	4.6	62.3	63.8	63.5
2008 Jan	69.8	72.9	72.4	8.3	3.4	4.2	64.0	70.5	69.4	68.0	59.8	61.1	6.8	3.4	4.0	63.4	57.8	58.6	68.9	66.2	66.7	7.5	3.4	4.1	63.7	64.0	63.9
2008 Feb	68.6	72.5	71.9	7.7	3.4	4.1	63.3	70.1	69.0	69.4	60.0	61.5	8.4	3.5	4.3	63.6	58.0	58.8	69.0	66.2	66.6	8.0	3.4	4.2	63.4	63.9	63.8
2008 Mar	68.1	73.3	72.4	6.7	3.7	4.2	63.5	70.6	69.4	69.3	60.2	61.6	7.0	4.1	4.6	64.4	57.7	58.8	68.7	66.6	67.0	6.9	3.9	4.4	64.0	64.0	64.0
2008 Apr	68.7	73.2	72.5	9.1	3.8	4.6	62.4	70.5	69.1	69.5	60.1	61.5	6.8	3.6	4.2	64.8	57.9	59.0	69.0	66.5	66.9	7.9	3.7	4.4	63.6	64.0	64.0
2008 May	68.3	72.6	71.9	10.7	3.6	4.7	61.0	70.0	68.5	69.3	60.6	61.9	6.9	3.7	4.2	64.6	58.4	59.3	68.8	66.5	66.9	8.8	3.7	4.5	62.7	64.1	63.8
2008 Jun	67.2	73.0	72.0	10.1	3.9	4.9	60.4	70.1	68.5	69.2	60.3	61.7	6.3	3.7	4.2	64.8	58.1	59.1	68.2	66.5	66.8	8.2	3.8	4.5	62.6	64.0	63.7
2008 Jul	66.4	73.1	72.0	9.6	3.7	4.6	60.1	70.4	68.7	68.6	60.2	61.5	6.2	4.1	4.4	64.4	57.8	58.8	67.5	66.5	66.7	7.9	3.8	4.5	62.2	64.0	63.7
2008 Aug	69.2	72.8	72.2	9.4	3.0	4.0	62.6	70.6	69.3	67.9	59.8	61.1	7.4	4.3	4.8	62.9	57.2	58.1	68.6	66.1	66.5	8.4	3.6	4.4	62.8	63.8	63.6
2008 Sep	65.8	72.7	71.5	9.1	3.6	4.4	59.8	70.0	68.4	68.2	60.3	61.5	7.9	4.5	5.1	62.8	57.6	58.4	67.0	66.3	66.5	8.5	4.0	4.7	61.3	63.7	63.3
2008 Oct	66.1	72.7	71.6	10.2	3.9	4.9	59.3	69.9	68.1	67.7	60.3	61.4	9.2	4.7	5.5	61.5	57.4	58.1	66.9	66.4	66.4	9.8	4.3	5.2	60.4	63.5	63.0
2008 Nov	67.2	72.1	71.3	11.9	4.0	5.2	59.2	69.3	67.6	67.3	60.1	61.2	8.4	3.9	4.7	61.7	57.7	58.3	67.3	66.0	66.2	10.2	4.0	5.0	60.4	63.4	62.9
2008 Dec	66.0	72.5	71.4	12.2	4.5	5.7	58.0	69.3	67.4	66.2	60.3	61.2	6.9	4.6	5.0	61.6	57.5	58.2	66.1	66.3	66.2	9.6	4.5	5.3	59.8	63.3	62.7
2009 Jan	63.1	72.1	70.6	13.9	5.7	6.9	54.2	68.0	65.7	67.3	59.8	60.9	5.9	5.1	5.2	63.3	56.7	57.7	65.1	65.8	65.7	9.9	5.4	6.1	58.7	62.2	61.7
2009 Feb	62.9	72.4	70.8	17.0	6.5	8.0	52.2	67.7	65.2	65.0	60.3	61.0	6.1	5.0	5.2	61.0	57.3	57.8	63.9	66.2	65.8	11.6	5.8	6.7	56.5	62.4	61.5
2009 Mar	63.6	71.3	70.1	18.2	6.7	8.4	52.0	66.6	64.2	67.1	60.4	61.4	8.9	5.9	6.4	61.1	56.8	57.5	65.3	65.7	65.7	13.5	6.3	7.4	56.5	61.6	60.8
2009 Apr																											
2009 May																											
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2009 Jul																											
2009 Aug																											
2009 Sep																											
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Average:																											
Jan-Mar08	68.8	72.9	72.2	7.6	3.5	4.2	63.6	70.4	69.3	68.9	60.0	61.4	7.4	3.7	4.3	63.8	57.8	58.7	68.9	66.3	66.8	7.5	3.6	4.2	63.7	64.0	63.9
Jan-Mar09	63.2	71.9	70.5	16.4	6.3	7.8	52.8	67.4	65.0	66.5	60.2	61.1	7.0	5.3	5.6	61.8	56.9	57.7	64.8	65.9	65.7	11.7	5.8	6.7	57.2	62.1	61.3

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

6 BC Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1999	882.5	129.0	1,011.5	12.8	606.1	276.8	882.9	31.4	1,488.6	405.8	1,894.4	21.4
2000	914.1	117.2	1,031.3	11.4	619.2	280.8	900.0	31.2	1,533.3	398.0	1,931.3	20.6
2001	896.7	123.4	1,020.1	12.1	620.9	280.5	901.4	31.1	1,517.6	404.0	1,921.6	21.0
2002	891.8	145.9	1,037.7	14.1	624.6	302.8	927.3	32.7	1,516.4	448.7	1,965.0	22.8
2003	929.7	136.1	1,065.8	12.8	635.2	313.6	948.9	33.0	1,564.9	449.7	2,014.7	22.3
2004	960.1	131.0	1,091.2	12.0	670.7	300.9	971.5	31.0	1,630.8	431.9	2,062.7	20.9
2005	1,000.8	129.7	1,130.5	11.5	693.0	307.0	1,000.0	30.7	1,693.9	436.7	2,130.5	20.5
2006	1,022.3	138.6	1,160.9	11.9	727.8	306.7	1,034.5	29.6	1,750.2	445.3	2,195.5	20.3
2007	1,067.8	143.1	1,210.9	11.8	740.9	314.6	1,055.4	29.8	1,808.7	457.7	2,266.3	20.2
2008	1,086.3	144.6	1,230.9	11.7	762.5	320.9	1,083.4	29.6	1,848.8	465.5	2,314.3	20.1
seasonally adjusted												
2008 Jan	1,089.2	144.5	1,233.7	11.7	746.4	327.8	1,074.2	30.5	1,835.6	472.2	2,307.9	20.5
Feb	1,085.1	142.7	1,227.7	11.6	753.8	324.9	1,078.7	30.1	1,838.8	467.6	2,306.4	20.3
Mar	1,094.4	143.1	1,237.5	11.6	750.8	328.4	1,079.2	30.4	1,845.3	471.5	2,316.7	20.4
Apr	1,097.7	137.2	1,234.8	11.1	760.4	325.0	1,085.4	29.9	1,858.0	462.2	2,320.2	19.9
May	1,082.7	142.6	1,225.3	11.6	769.9	323.7	1,093.6	29.6	1,852.6	466.3	2,318.9	20.1
Jun	1,087.0	141.4	1,228.4	11.5	766.4	325.2	1,091.6	29.8	1,853.4	466.6	2,319.9	20.1
Jul	1,091.0	143.0	1,234.1	11.6	780.6	307.0	1,087.6	28.2	1,871.6	450.0	2,321.6	19.4
Aug	1,102.1	143.9	1,246.0	11.5	750.6	326.1	1,076.7	30.3	1,852.8	470.0	2,322.7	20.2
Sep	1,084.2	148.0	1,232.2	12.0	760.3	323.5	1,083.8	29.8	1,844.5	471.4	2,316.0	20.4
Oct	1,081.0	148.6	1,229.7	12.1	772.4	306.9	1,079.3	28.4	1,853.4	455.6	2,309.0	19.7
Nov	1,070.6	151.2	1,221.8	12.4	768.8	316.9	1,085.7	29.2	1,839.3	468.1	2,307.4	20.3
Dec	1,070.3	149.0	1,219.4	12.2	769.2	314.2	1,083.4	29.0	1,839.6	463.2	2,302.7	20.1
2009 Jan	1,032.7	158.1	1,190.8	13.3	738.9	337.9	1,076.8	31.4	1,771.5	496.1	2,267.6	21.9
Feb	1,024.0	158.3	1,182.3	13.4	745.9	334.6	1,080.4	31.0	1,769.9	492.9	2,262.7	21.8
Mar	1,015.2	150.2	1,165.4	12.9	744.9	329.9	1,074.7	30.7	1,760.0	480.1	2,240.1	21.4
Apr												
May												
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Mar08	1,089.6	143.4	1,233.0	11.6	750.3	327.0	1,077.4	30.4	1,839.9	470.4	2,310.3	20.4
Jan-Mar09	1,024.0	155.5	1,179.5	13.2	743.2	334.1	1,077.3	31.0	1,767.1	489.7	2,256.8	21.7
% Change	-6.0	8.4	-4.3		-0.9	2.2	0.0		-4.0	4.1	-2.3	

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1999	1,894.4		393.8		28.1		48.5		11.1		191.8		114.3	
2000	1,931.3	1.9	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	52.7	8.7	10.3	-7.2	202.5	5.6	111.1	-2.8
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	40.7	-22.8	10.5	1.9	194.9	-3.8	110.7	-0.4
2002	1,965.0	2.3	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	37.6	-7.6	11	4.8	196.6	0.9	118.1	6.7
2003	2,014.7	2.5	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	45.5	21.0	11.3	2.7	206.8	5.2	119.8	1.4
2004	2,062.7	2.4	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	35.6	-21.8	9.2	-18.6	211.2	2.1	144.0	20.2
2005	2,130.5	3.3	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	37.5	5.3	10.3	12.0	198.2	-6.2	168.0	16.7
2006	2,195.5	3.1	463.9	2.5	34.7	-10.3	43.8	16.8	8.6	-16.5	197.5	-0.4	179.3	6.7
2007	2,266.3	3.2	495.7	6.9	36.2	4.3	47.3	8.0	10.3	19.8	205.1	3.8	196.9	9.8
2008	2,314.3	2.1	501.5	1.2	33.7	-6.9	45.4	-4.0	14.2	37.9	187.4	-8.6	220.8	12.1
seasonally adjusted														
2008 Jan	2,307.9		510.4		43.2		46.8		14.6		193.0		212.8	
Feb	2,306.4	-0.1	499.8	-2.1	37.7	-12.7	46.2	-1.3	14.4	-1.4	185.5	-3.9	216.0	1.5
Mar	2,316.7	0.4	510.6	2.2	38.0	0.8	46.5	0.6	15.7	9.0	190.2	2.5	220.3	2.0
Apr	2,320.2	0.2	498.0	-2.5	35.1	-7.6	48.6	4.5	13.2	-15.9	182.2	-4.2	218.9	-0.6
May	2,318.9	-0.1	497.6	-0.1	29.8	-15.1	45.8	-5.8	12.8	-3.0	188.1	3.2	221.1	1.0
Jun	2,319.9	0.0	495.9	-0.3	32.8	10.1	43.5	-5.0	13.4	4.7	189.5	0.7	216.8	-1.9
Jul	2,321.6	0.1	503.6	1.6	31.9	-2.7	44.4	2.1	14.6	9.0	190.2	0.4	222.3	2.5
Aug	2,322.7	0.0	505.5	0.4	34.4	7.8	41.9	-5.6	15.3	4.8	186.9	-1.7	226.9	2.1
Sep	2,316.0	-0.3	511.8	1.2	31.9	-7.3	44.2	5.5	14.5	-5.2	186.0	-0.5	235.2	3.7
Oct	2,309.0	-0.3	497.6	-2.8	31.0	-2.8	42.9	-2.9	15.1	4.1	183.3	-1.5	225.3	-4.2
Nov	2,307.4	-0.1	493.7	-0.8	29.8	-3.9	45.6	6.3	13.9	-7.9	184.8	0.8	219.6	-2.5
Dec	2,302.7	-0.2	494.2	0.1	30.6	2.7	49.5	8.6	12.6	-9.4	188.0	1.7	213.5	-2.8
2009 Jan	2,267.6	-1.5	460.2	-6.9	27.6	-9.8	46.6	-5.9	12.8	1.6	169.9	-9.6	203.3	-4.8
Feb	2,262.7	-0.2	460.3	0.0	30.1	9.1	45.7	-1.9	10.5	-18.0	170.2	0.2	203.8	0.2
Mar	2,240.1	-1.0	439.0	-4.6	30.3	0.7	44.5	-2.6	12.7	21.0	163.6	-3.9	187.8	-7.9
Apr														
May														
Jun														
Jul														
Aug														
Sep														
Oct														
Nov														
Dec														
Average:														
Jan-Mar08	2,310.3		506.9		39.6		46.5		14.9		189.6		216.4	
Jan-Mar09	2,256.8		453.2		29.3		45.6		12.0		167.9		198.3	
% Change	-2.3		-10.6		-26.0		-1.9		-19.5		-11.4		-8.4	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service										Public Administration	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service			
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1999	1,500.5		115.9		304.8		121.0		135.8		127.3		193.3		149.1		260.8		92.5	
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	135.8	0.0	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	268.4	2.9	92.4	-0.1
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	139.2	2.5	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	275.1	2.5	89.5	-3.1
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	136.1	-2.2	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	274.1	-0.4	88.1	-1.6
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	139.3	2.4	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	281.2	2.6	93.0	5.6
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	146.3	5.0	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	290.4	3.3	97.2	4.5
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	163.6	11.8	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	293.6	1.1	95.1	-2.2
2006	1,731.6	3.2	119.5	0.7	353.7	5.7	138.0	3.8	167.6	2.4	156.0	6.8	232.2	6.8	170.5	-3.0	302.8	3.1	91.3	-4.0
2007	1,770.6	2.3	125.6	5.1	365.0	3.2	145.0	5.1	166.3	-0.8	156.1	0.1	239.7	3.2	172.7	1.3	304.3	0.5	95.9	5.0
2008	1,812.8	2.4	128.0	1.9	354.8	-2.8	147.2	1.5	174	4.6	161.6	3.5	245.6	2.5	178.1	3.1	320.5	5.3	102.9	7.3
seasonally adjusted																				
2008 Jan	1,797.5		129.4		354.2		145.1		171.2		166.2		246.3		170.6		319.7		94.8	
Feb	1,806.6	0.5	128.8	-0.5	359.0	1.4	147.9	1.9	175	2.2	156.9	-5.6	240.9	-2.2	177.6	4.1	318.1	-0.5	102.5	8.1
Mar	1,806.1	0.0	130.2	1.1	362.9	1.1	134.1	-9.3	174.1	-0.5	155.5	-0.9	240.6	-0.1	179.5	1.1	324.8	2.1	104.4	1.9
Apr	1,822.2	0.9	133.0	2.2	360.8	-0.6	142.2	6.0	177.9	2.2	162.7	4.6	233.1	-3.1	183.6	2.3	322.9	-0.6	106.1	1.6
May	1,821.3	0.0	127.1	-4.4	350.9	-2.7	150.8	6.0	175.5	-1.3	165.0	1.4	239.5	2.7	184.3	0.4	321.8	-0.3	106.5	0.4
Jun	1,824.0	0.1	131.4	3.4	356.5	1.6	144.9	-3.9	179.6	2.3	167.8	1.7	244.6	2.1	177.6	-3.6	317.3	-1.4	104.5	-1.9
Jul	1,818.0	-0.3	126.6	-3.7	349.2	-2.0	155.4	7.2	172	-4.2	163.7	-2.4	245.9	0.5	177.1	-0.3	324.9	2.4	103.1	-1.3
Aug	1,817.2	0.0	131.3	3.7	361.7	3.6	142.0	-8.6	175.1	1.8	160.4	-2.0	243.3	-1.1	177.0	-0.1	325.6	0.2	100.7	-2.3
Sep	1,804.2	-0.7	128.0	-2.5	346.7	-4.1	148.9	4.9	169.6	-3.1	158.2	-1.4	253.0	4.0	174.8	-1.2	324.5	-0.3	100.4	-0.3
Oct	1,811.4	0.4	128.4	0.3	346.6	0.0	151.2	1.5	170.1	0.3	160.9	1.7	255.3	0.9	173.4	-0.8	317.6	-2.1	108.0	7.6
Nov	1,813.7	0.1	115.3	-10.2	349.9	1.0	155.4	2.8	178	4.6	160.3	-0.4	254.8	-0.2	177.6	2.4	320.5	0.9	101.8	-5.7
Dec	1,808.6	-0.3	126.2	9.5	358.0	2.3	149.0	-4.1	170	-4.5	161.7	0.9	249.8	-2.0	183.0	3.0	308.8	-3.7	102.2	0.4
2009 Jan	1,807.4	-0.1	120.8	-4.3	351.3	-1.9	151.2	1.5	177.8	4.6	157.2	-2.8	255.3	2.2	180.6	-1.3	309.9	0.4	103.4	1.2
Feb	1,802.4	-0.3	118.0	-2.3	350.6	-0.2	148.2	-2.0	173.4	-2.5	160.6	2.2	259.4	1.6	176.4	-2.3	314.8	1.6	101.0	-2.3
Mar	1,801.1	-0.1	121.7	3.1	347.9	-0.8	139.7	-5.7	176.5	1.8	158.1	-1.6	259.8	0.2	183.6	4.1	312.7	-0.7	100.9	-0.1
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Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Mar08	1,803.4		129.5		358.7		142.4		173.4		159.5		242.6		175.9		320.9		100.6	
Jan-Mar09	1,803.6		120.2		349.9		146.4		175.9		158.6		258.2		180.2		312.5		101.8	
% Change	0.0		-7.2		-2.4		2.8		1.4		-0.6		6.4		2.4		-2.6		1.2	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1999	195.6	2.4	344.7	3.4	124.1	3.4	97.7	1.7	143.1	2.7	66.6	4.0	485.5	6.8	287.6	8.1	64.1	14.6	85.3	6.8	1,894.4	8.3
2000	200.3	1.8	336.0	3.2	124.0	2.4	104.5	0.6	151.3	3.1	61.5	4.8	501.0	5.5	286.3	7.6	70.4	13.5	95.9	6.1	1,931.3	7.1
2001	171.6	2.6	340.2	4.1	118.5	4.7	102.3	1.8	149.0	3.2	59.8	5.7	537.4	5.5	285.9	7.7	61.4	13.5	95.6	8.8	1,921.6	7.7
2002	173.7	2.8	333.5	4.2	118.0	5.1	113.7	2.0	161.7	2.9	64.8	6.5	557.6	6.0	284.9	7.9	60.9	14.9	96.3	8.9	1,965.0	8.5
2003	182.1	1.9	351.5	4.1	126.6	6.1	117.2	1.8	162.5	3.2	67.0	6.6	540.4	6.2	297.3	7.1	72.9	12.5	97.3	6.8	2,014.7	8.0
2004	192.9	2.6	353.1	3.8	120.6	5.0	119.1	1.6	155.6	3.9	73.3	5.2	556.2	5.9	319.5	5.9	69.6	10.9	102.8	7.0	2,062.7	7.2
2005	193.0	2.3	383.0	2.9	136.1	3.0	118.6	1.2	172.4	2.5	71.3	4.8	558.0	4.7	330.8	4.5	71.3	9.5	96.1	6.1	2,130.5	5.9
2006	207.9	1.8	371.0	2.5	152.3	2.3	131.8	1.4	175.0	2.8	74.8	3.6	563.2	3.8	349.6	4.0	73.7	8.4	96.1	4.0	2,195.5	4.8
2007	207.3	1.1	391.8	2.3	144.9	2.3	128.2	0.6	183.7	2.2	74.9	2.6	591.8	3.7	369.2	3.2	75.0	7.4	99.5	5.7	2,266.3	4.2
2008	219.8	1.5	409.5	2.1	153.5	2.0	139.3	1.6	192.1	2.4	73.1	3.3	593.4	4.0	380.5	4.6	66.6	8.8	86.6	6.3	2,314.3	4.6
2008 Jan	202.8	1.0	410.4	1.9	157.6	2.7	131.2	2.5	202.9	1.1	76.8	1.9	570.4	4.0	366.4	4.7	72.7	11.6	83.0	8.4	2,274.3	4.5
2008 Feb	210.2	0.8	405.1	2.7	162.1	2.4	134.8	0.9	200.8	0.9	83.5	1.4	572.0	3.7	365.9	4.2	59.0	11.5	81.8	7.0	2,275.1	4.4
2008 Mar	222.1	0.7	397.9	1.7	155.1	2.1	134.4	1.6	194.4	1.9	77.5	1.8	586.1	3.4	380.6	3.6	64.0	8.2	93.1	8.4	2,305.3	4.2
2008 Apr	218.8	0.9	406.0	1.5	159.9	2.9	140.5	0.9	198.6	1.7	74.0	4.0	588.1	4.0	372.9	4.3	60.5	8.6	85.3	6.1	2,304.5	4.5
2008 May	227.6	1.0	401.0	2.3	158.0	1.1	138.8	0.7	203.5	1.3	71.8	3.6	606.5	3.9	370.6	4.7	68.3	10.7	84.0	6.6	2,330.0	4.7
2008 Jun	235.7	1.7	420.6	1.3	152.8	0.6	148.6	1.6	196.4	1.3	59.0	4.7	598.0	3.4	385.8	4.9	70.0	7.0	88.0	4.6	2,354.9	4.1
2008 Jul	238.6	1.7	411.6	2.0	154.8	1.6	142.3	2.2	175.4	3.4	65.2	2.8	600.7	4.8	397.6	3.9	72.6	5.2	91.2	5.2	2,350.1	4.8
2008 Aug	225.0	2.5	425.3	1.9	159.8	2.3	139.9	2.0	161.8	11.4	69.6	3.2	600.6	4.5	399.4	3.3	81.6	5.6	83.9	3.8	2,347.0	4.9
2008 Sep	223.7	1.8	411.8	2.6	142.9	2.5	145.5	1.8	188.7	2.4	70.3	2.6	580.9	4.2	396.2	3.5	67.3	9.4	88.6	5.0	2,315.9	4.5
2008 Oct	215.7	1.5	416.0	2.7	143.5	2.4	135.6	1.6	198.1	1.7	72.3	5.6	588.6	4.2	396.2	4.1	62.8	10.7	84.2	6.2	2,312.9	4.9
2008 Nov	207.1	1.8	411.6	2.0	150.4	1.4	140.0	2.2	199.5	1.5	75.5	4.1	610.1	3.8	368.0	6.3	57.1	9.4	89.6	7.8	2,308.6	4.7
2008 Dec	210.4	2.0	396.8	2.0	145.3	2.4	140.0	1.2	184.9	2.0	81.8	3.8	618.3	4.0	366.1	7.9	63.0	8.6	86.1	6.8	2,292.8	5.0
2009 Jan	206.9	2.2	389.7	4.1	142.7	2.9	139.9	1.6	191.6	1.9	83.0	2.1	611.0	4.3	339.7	10.7	59.0	16.0	70.2	16.3	2,233.7	6.7
2009 Feb	211.8	1.9	383.9	4.4	158.0	4.9	141.0	2.4	190.3	1.2	80.2	3.0	588.8	5.6	330.0	10.5	62.4	17.2	80.7	12.1	2,226.9	7.2
2009 Mar	205.2	3.6	381.6	5.2	157.6	4.7	140.2	2.2	189.7	2.2	78.1	2.6	605.1	4.3	326.7	11.4	63.0	18.4	74.8	13.5	2,221.9	7.7
2009 Apr																						
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Average:																						
Jan-Mar08	211.7	0.8	404.5	2.1	158.3	2.4	133.5	1.6	199.4	1.3	79.3	1.7	576.2	3.7	371.0	4.2	65.2	10.4	86.0	7.9	2,284.9	4.4
Jan-Mar09	208.0	2.5	385.1	4.6	152.8	4.2	140.4	2.1	190.5	1.8	80.4	2.6	601.6	4.7	332.1	10.9	61.5	17.2	75.2	14.0	2,227.5	7.2
% Change	-1.8		-4.8		-3.5		5.2		-4.4		1.5		4.4		-10.5		-5.8		-12.5		-2.5	

NOTES: 1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

9 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Abbotsford		Development Regions													
									Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson- Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %		
1999	1,894.4	8.3	996.0	7.7	155.3	6.6	66.9	7.6	330.0	7.9	1130.1	7.7	206.1	9.6	69.4	9.3	81.4	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.7	8.9
2000	1,931.3	7.1	1,032.1	5.8	155.3	6.7	68.3	7.5	327.4	7.8	1164.6	6.1	210.3	9.3	70.8	10.0	79.1	9.9	47.3	10.2	31.8	5.9
2001	1,921.6	7.7	1,039.1	6.6	150.8	6.3	71.4	6.7	307.3	9.2	1175.0	6.7	210.2	9.3	70.4	9.7	79.4	9.7	46.6	11.2	32.5	6.1
2002	1,965.0	8.5	1,072.1	7.7	155.7	7.0	75.2	7.5	317.4	8.7	1216.7	7.7	208.1	9.4	66.6	10.0	78.0	12.7	44.9	12.6	33.2	9.0
2003	2,014.7	8.0	1,103.5	7.3	158.7	6.2	74.9	7.5	319.1	8.6	1251.4	7.3	218.8	8.8	67.4	11.5	78.2	11.1	44.8	11.3	34.9	6.4
2004	2,062.7	7.2	1,127.5	6.7	162.0	5.3	78.5	6.4	334.2	7.9	1275.3	6.7	229.7	6.6	67.1	9.2	80.7	9.1	42.4	11.6	33.3	5.4
2005	2,130.5	5.9	1,155.7	5.7	169.3	4.5	78.3	5.5	350.0	6.3	1,307.3	5.7	244.0	5.3	69.2	6.1	80.1	7.4	45.7	8.1	34.3	4.7
2006	2,195.5	4.8	1,187.1	4.4	175.2	3.7	82.3	4.5	369.5	4.9	1,342.7	4.4	253.7	5.1	69.5	6.2	82.9	6.1	43.1	6.7	34.0	NA
2007	2,266.3	4.2	1,222.7	4.0	182.9	3.3	84.8	4.3	378.3	4.3	1,392.2	4.0	256.7	4.4	77.1	5.5	83.8	5.1	41.5	8.0	36.7	NA
2008	2,314.3	4.6	1,241.6	4.3	190.9	3.3	88.0	4.9	394.2	4.4	1,418.3	4.2	265.0	5.5	71.5	4.8	83.1	6.5	44.1	7.7	38.0	4.8
3- month moving average, actual, ending in:																						
2008 Jan	2,286.5	4.1	1,245.2	3.7	186.2	3.0	84.9	3.6	375.8	4.5	1,417.7	3.6	253.9	4.8	73.1	4.8	88.0	5.2	41.5	8.2	36.5	NA
Feb	2,278.9	4.2	1,239.5	3.7	185.0	3.3	83.8	4.9	378.0	5.0	1,411.1	3.7	253.6	5.3	71.8	4.4	86.5	5.8	42.1	7.3	35.8	NA
Mar	2,284.9	4.4	1,240.4	3.8	186.8	3.2	84.4	5.6	380.4	5.2	1,412.7	3.7	257.6	5.9	71.2	3.4	84.0	6.8	43.3	7.1	35.6	NA
Apr	2,295.0	4.4	1,238.6	3.9	190.0	2.8	85.8	5.4	386.9	4.6	1,412.8	3.9	260.7	5.6	71.6	2.5	82.9	7.7	44.3	7.9	35.8	4.3
May	2,313.3	4.5	1,241.8	4.1	193.8	2.7	88.0	4.8	391.4	4.3	1,421.3	4.1	265.6	5.6	72.1	2.2	82.7	7.9	44.4	8.6	35.8	5.0
Jun	2,329.8	4.4	1,243.8	4.3	195.0	2.8	88.7	4.2	395.9	3.9	1,425.2	4.2	271.5	5.1	71.3	2.5	83.5	7.0	45.4	8.5	37.0	5.9
Jul	2,345.0	4.5	1,249.0	4.4	195.1	3.3	89.2	4.1	401.8	3.8	1,430.2	4.4	274.8	5.2	71.2	3.9	83.4	6.9	45.8	7.5	37.9	6.2
Aug	2,350.7	4.6	1,253.4	4.5	194.0	3.7	90.8	4.1	403.3	3.8	1,433.3	4.4	275.2	4.9	70.5	5.1	83.2	7.2	46.5	7.6	38.6	6.3
Sep	2,337.7	4.7	1,243.8	4.6	192.8	3.7	90.7	4.5	403.3	4.1	1,423.7	4.5	271.4	4.9	71.6	6.4	83.3	6.8	45.4	6.8	39.1	5.8
Oct	2,325.3	4.7	1,240.6	4.5	191.8	3.8	90.5	4.8	401.0	4.3	1,420.3	4.4	267.3	5.4	70.1	7.0	82.5	6.4	44.3	7.7	39.8	5.0
Nov	2,312.5	4.7	1,238.1	4.3	191.2	3.4	88.8	5.0	399.0	4.5	1,414.9	4.3	260.7	5.8	72.1	6.0	82.4	5.5	43.3	7.7	40.2	4.5
Dec	2,304.8	4.9	1,238.6	4.4	189.2	3.6	88.2	5.2	397.2	4.5	1,411.6	4.5	259.7	6.2	72.0	7.0	81.4	5.6	42.5	8.6	40.4	3.6
2009 Jan	2,278.4	5.5	1,225.3	4.9	184.9	3.9	87.2	5.8	390.9	5.1	1,395.0	5.1	256.9	7.0	72.4	6.7	81.7	6.1	41.9	9.3	39.6	4.6
Feb	2,251.1	6.3	1,214.1	5.6	181.3	4.9	86.3	6.7	384.4	5.9	1,381.8	5.9	255.3	7.8	70.8	8.8	78.8	7.8	40.5	9.8	39.5	4.6
Mar	2,227.5	7.2	1,210.5	6.3	178.8	5.5	84.0	7.7	380.7	6.8	1,374.3	6.6	249.9	9.1	70.7	8.9	75.3	10.0	39.5	11.1	37.2	6.5
Apr																						
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Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthly actual data																					
Jan-Mar08	2,284.9	4.4	1,240.4	3.8	186.8	3.2	84.4	5.6	380.4	5.2	1,412.7	3.8	257.6	5.8	71.2	2.7	84.0	6.8	43.3	7.2	35.6	NA
Jan-Mar09	2,227.5	7.2	1,210.5	6.3	178.8	5.6	84.0	7.7	380.6	6.8	1,374.3	6.6	249.9	9.1	70.7	8.9	75.4	10.1	39.5	11.0	37.2	6.4
% Change	-2.5		-2.4		-4.3		-0.5		0.1		-2.7		-3.0		-0.7		-10.3		-8.9		4.5	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 2005.

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1999	1,894.4		1,512.9		345.9		1,167.1		381.4	
2000	1,931.3	1.9	1,574.7	4.1	358.9	3.8	1,215.9	4.2	356.6	-6.5
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	1,570.1	-0.3	350.8	-2.3	1,219.3	0.3	351.4	-1.5
2002	1,965.0	2.3	1,601.7	2.0	353.6	0.8	1,248.1	2.4	363.3	3.4
2003	2,014.7	2.5	1,638.4	2.3	360.5	2.0	1,277.9	2.4	376.3	3.6
2004	2,062.7	2.4	1,671.3	2.0	366.6	1.7	1,304.7	2.1	391.4	4.0
2005	2,130.5	3.3	1,714.8	2.6	369.8	0.9	1,345.0	3.1	415.8	6.2
2006	2,195.5	3.1	1,781.8	3.9	391.2	5.8	1,390.6	3.4	413.7	-0.5
2007	2,266.3	3.2	1,841.0	3.3	401.6	2.7	1,439.4	3.5	425.3	2.8
2008	2,314.3	2.1	1,886.0	2.4	421.4	4.9	1,464.5	1.7	428.3	0.7
seasonally adjusted										
2008 Jan	2,307.9		1,896.0		418.5		1,477.5		411.9	
Feb	2,306.4	-0.1	1,903.1	0.4	418.8	0.1	1,484.3	0.5	403.3	-2.1
Mar	2,316.7	0.4	1,905.8	0.1	417.6	-0.3	1,488.2	0.3	410.9	1.9
Apr	2,320.2	0.2	1,902.4	-0.2	423.6	1.4	1,478.8	-0.6	417.8	1.7
May	2,318.9	-0.1	1,910.6	0.4	434.3	2.5	1,476.2	-0.2	408.3	-2.3
Jun	2,319.9	0.0	1,894.6	-0.8	432.9	-0.3	1,461.7	-1.0	415.4	4.2
Jul	2,321.6	0.1	1,889.6	-0.3	429.0	-0.9	1,460.6	-0.1	432.1	1.6
Aug	2,322.7	0.0	1,880.4	-0.5	420.8	-1.9	1,459.6	-0.1	442.3	2.4
Sep	2,316.0	-0.3	1,861.9	-1.0	416.1	-1.1	1,445.8	-0.9	454.1	2.7
Oct	2,309.0	-0.3	1,861.2	0.0	424.0	1.9	1,437.2	-0.6	447.8	-1.4
Nov	2,307.4	-0.1	1,869.2	0.4	409.0	-3.5	1,460.2	1.6	438.3	-2.1
Dec	2,302.7	-0.2	1,854.7	-0.8	411.6	0.6	1,443.1	-1.2	448.1	2.2
2009 Jan	2,267.6	-1.5	1,815.7	-2.1	411.1	-0.1	1,404.6	-2.7	451.9	0.8
Feb	2,262.7	-0.2	1,835.8	1.1	411.1	0.0	1,424.7	1.4	427.0	-5.5
Mar	2,240.1	-1.0	1,816.8	-1.0	407.6	-0.9	1,409.2	-1.1	423.3	-0.9
Apr										
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Dec										
Average:										
Jan-Mar08	2,310.3		1,901.6		418.3		1,483.3		408.7	
Jan-Mar09	2,256.8		1,822.8		409.9		1,412.8		434.1	
% Change	-2.3		-4.1		-2.0		-4.8		6.2	

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate (employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC Stats on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

